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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR THERMALLY WORKING A WORKPIECE, THERMAL WORKING MACHINE THEREFOR, AND CUTTING OR WELDING TOOL SUITED FOR USE IN THE WORKING MACHINE

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